

ALL BUSY AS BEES

Builders Are Laying Brick While the Sun Shines.

PROSPECTS OF NEW HOTELS

Eastern Man Looking for Site-Deal for Sale of Down-Town Hotel-Contract for Postoffice Improvements Soon to Be Let.

Table with Real Estate Transfers and Cement Sidewalk Permits. Columns include date, amount, and total.

July and August are the best building months of the year, and the contractors, realizing this fact, are pushing the completion of structures with all possible speed.

The cement sidewalk business depends largely upon favorable weather, and the cement contractors are just as busy as their friends of the Builders' Association.

A two-story brick building will shortly be erected by Ralph W. Hoyt on the west side of Seventh street, between Washington and Alder streets.

Several business structures of the smaller type were started during the past seven days. The Dolph estate has begun the destruction of the old Veterinary Hospital at Fifth and Jefferson streets.

That the cry for new hotels is soon to be answered is almost assured. A prominent hotel man of St. Louis was in the city last week inspecting several sites for a hotel.

AGAINST GRAVEL PITS.

Residents of Woodlawn Hold Meeting to Protest.

To protest against the opening of new gravel pits in Woodlawn an open air meeting of the residents of that locality was held yesterday afternoon at 8 o'clock.

A committee was appointed to secure legal advice and to report at the next meeting, which will be held tomorrow evening at the engine-house of Woodlawn.

HOW TO PROTECT SALMON

Dr. Jordan Tells on His Return From Alaska.

"If I were in absolute control of the salmon industry on the Pacific Coast and in Alaska," said Dr. David Starr Jordan, president of Stanford University, last night.

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much smaller than it used to be. For this I blame the numerous fishwheels and traps along the river, which are now used to be the case, I think that hatcheries should be established along the river up as far as Idaho, so that the Spring run may be taken care of and replenished.

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Dr. Jordan's intimation that it is not possible for the Alaskan canneries to fully observe the law is based principally on the fact that a Federal statute provides that all canneries in the district shall maintain hatcheries at their own expense to replenish the supply.

"That is hantle legislation," observed Dr. Jordan, "the brand that is made in Washington is to be disregarded by practical men in Alaska. To observe the law would cost an annual \$50,000.

"This is all changed now," said Dr. Jordan. "The canneries in the North generally observe the law. There are a number of exceptions of course, to which I shall refer in my report."

Dr. Jordan stated that the greatest trouble in Alaska arose from the fact that the canners there packed so many barrels last year, that this cheaper grade of fish could not be sold.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

First Night at the Empire.

"Tonight is 'first night' at the Empire Theater—a weekly event of importance both in theatrical and social circles in Portland.

From the Sheep Country. The trial balance above \$121,000 paid for coyote scalps for the benefit of every sheepman in Oregon, yet a howl was set up to kill an appropriation of \$15,000 for a state portage railway which is to open the Columbia River to all the people of a region covering territory equal to five Eastern States.

FLY TO THE RESCUE

Friends of Referendum Will Rally in Court.

R. R. DUNIWAY WILL DO UTMOST

Senator Mitchell May Also Appear as Friend of the Court—Timon Ford Denies Other Amendments Were Pending at Last Election.

Friends of the initiative and referendum amendment all over Oregon are discussing the merit of the decision of the Multnomah County Circuit Court, which declared it unconstitutional, and the probable result of the attempt to prevent the referendum by Attorney R. R. Duniway, which will be argued about August 15.

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derly vs. the City of Portland. In this suit Kaddery, through his attorney, Mr. Danisay, attempted to prevent the reassessment of East Burnside street, stating that the new city charter, under which the reassessment was made, was not in force for 30 days after its passage.

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In the meantime many friends of the referendum point out an alleged improbability of an adequate or full presentation of the measure being made in its behalf before the Supreme Court.

"Mr. Duniway," they say, "is personally opposed to the referendum. He thinks it is an unwise law, and nevertheless in this suit he is placed in the anomalous position of arguing for it."

"I think that section 17 of article 17 is certainly quite clear on all of these points, and I conclude that the initiative and referendum amendment was legally proposed, and it was certainly regularly submitted.

LAWYERS WILL HOLD CONFERENCE.

STAYTON, Or., July 20.—(Special)—W. S. U'ren, who is one of the attorneys who expects to appear before the Supreme Court in the interest of the initiative and referendum amendment, stated that several lawyers, who will appear in behalf of the amendment before the Supreme Court, will hold a conference within a few days when a definite plan of action had been taken, and until this action had been taken he would say nothing as to the right that is proposed shall be made.

DEFENDS THE REFERENDUM.

STAYTON, Or., July 20.—Stayton Grange, No. 340, at its first meeting since organization, held last Friday, adopted the following resolution: "Resolved, that the Multnomah Circuit Court against the initiative and referendum amendment to the constitution."

THINKS LAW CONSTITUTIONAL.

Attorney Says Referendum Was Only Amendment Before People in 1898. Whether the initiative and referendum amendment was legally adopted continues to be the foremost subject of public discussion, and it promises to maintain that position until the question is settled by the Supreme Court.

drafted the direct-nomination law for introduction in the last Legislature. In expressing his views on the initiative and referendum amendment, Mr. Ford takes the position, in opposition to the court, that this was the only amendment before the people at the time it was proposed in 1898.

"I think the initiative and referendum was regularly and legally adopted," said Mr. Ford yesterday. "It was proposed in the Legislative Assembly in 1898, and adopted by both houses at that time, and it was by that Legislative Assembly 'referred to the people' at the general election which occurred on the first Monday in June, 1900; that Legislative Assembly so chosen organized in January, 1901, when both houses agreed to amend the amendment and passed an act submitting the amendment to the voters at the election of June, 1902, at which election it was voted in favor of the amendment, and only 5688 against it."

"The contention that the amendment is invalid because other constitutional amendments were pending at the time this amendment was proposed is, in my judgment, untenable under section 17 of article 17 of the constitution. I do not think any other amendment was pending at that time."

"When the four amendments were proposed and adopted in 1898 by both houses of the Legislature, Mr. Ford was 'referred to the Legislative Assembly to be chosen at the next general election,' which occurred on the first Monday in June, 1898. The Legislative Assembly next organized in January, 1899, when both houses agreed to amend the amendments, and it became its duty to submit such amendments to the voters at the election of June, 1900, which occurred on the first Monday in June, 1900. The Legislative Assembly so chosen organized in January, 1901, when both houses agreed to amend the amendments, and it became its duty to submit such amendments to the voters at the election of June, 1902, at which election it was voted in favor of the amendment, and only 5688 against it."

"Section 17 of article 17 of the constitution provides that any amendment or amendments to this constitution may be proposed in either branch of the Legislative Assembly, and if the same shall be agreed to by a majority of all the members elected to each of the two houses, such proposed amendment or amendments shall, with the yeas and nays thereon, be entered on their journals and referred to the people at the next general election, and if in the Legislative Assembly so next chosen such proposed amendment or amendments shall be agreed to by a majority of all the members elected to each house, then it shall be the duty of the Legislative Assembly to submit such amendment or amendments to the voters at the next general election, and if the same shall be agreed to by a majority of all the members elected to each of the two houses, such proposed amendment or amendments shall become a part of this constitution. It will thus be seen that since 1898 the only amendment which has been submitted legally to the people under this article of our constitution is the initiative and referendum amendment."

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"The object of this amendment was, and is, to prevent vicious legislation from being enacted by a dishonest and unscrupulous legislature; therefore, be it resolved: That we believe it is in the interest of the people of this state that the initiative and referendum amendment be sustained as a part of our state constitution."

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A goodly number were present, notwithstanding the very time of year. Mr. Hilgarty, deputy state master, W. M. Hillgarty assisted the worthy master, James F. Cook. For notice in Grange work, the business was transacted with reasonable dispatch and intelligence. The

Meier & Frank Company

Demonstration all this week of Rumford's Phosphate Baking Powder—Basement. Trunks, Traveling Bags, Suit Cases—Every size and style—Third Floor.

Just received—New shipment of Men's Panama Hats at low prices.

Hourly Sales for Today

Condensed List—Circulars with items fully described given out at the different entrances, or see yesterday's Oregonian.

Hourly sales schedule with clock faces and item lists for various times of the day, including screen doors, brooms, stock ties, and various clothing items.

WHEELS TO TURN TODAY

NEW SAWMILL OF STANDARD BOX FACTORY COMPLETE.

Another Added to the East Side's Industries—House-Boats Will Make Room for Log Booms.

The wheels of the Standard Box Factory Company's new sawmill, at the foot of East Ankeny and East Ash streets, will turn for the first time today.

The entire mill plant has been white-washed, inside and outside, which has suggested that the name be changed to the White Milling Company.

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GRANULATED EYEBIDS.

Murine Eye Remedy cures this and other eye troubles, makes weak eyes strong.